

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1. – 77. (Cancelled)

Please add the following newly added claims:

78. (New) A device for enabling access to a structure above ground level by lowering and/or lifting the device in relation to the structure, the device comprising a first endless frame structure defining an opening, wherein at least part of the first endless frame structure forms a track portion, the track portion being adapted to guide an, in relation to the track portion, movable object along the track portion.

79. (New) A device according to claim 78, further comprising a second endless frame structure defining an opening, the second endless frame structure being aligned with the first endless frame structure.

80. (New) A device according to claim 78, wherein the first endless frame structure forms an endless track.

81. (New) A device according to claim 78, wherein the object comprises a work platform adapted to carry one or more individuals.

82. (New) A device according to claim 78, wherein the object comprises seating for one or more individuals.

83. (New) A device according to claim 78, wherein the object comprises control means (291) for controlling the position of the object in relation to the track portion.

84. (New) A device according to claim 78, wherein the first endless frame structure forms an essentially elongated structure.

85. (New) A device according to claim 78, further comprising means for lifting and/or lowering the device in relation to the structure, the lifting and/or lowering means comprising power means such as electric motors, hydraulic and/or pneumatic means for lifting, lowering and/or displacing the device in relation to the structure.

86. (New) A device according to claim 85, further comprising control means for controlling the lifting and/or lowering means.

87. (New) A device according to claim 78, wherein the device is adapted to assist individuals in performing inspection, work, repair, surface treatment etc on a rotor blade of a wind turbine.

88. (New) A device according to claim 78, further comprising an arrangement for aligning the structure with the opening defined by the first endless frame structure.

89. (New) A device according to claim 88, wherein the alignment arrangement comprises a first displaceable arm having guiding means, the first displaceable arm being adapted to be brought from a first to a second position when the device is to be aligned with the structure, the first displaceable arm being, in its second position, capable of bringing a catch element into contact with the structure via its guiding means, and bringing the device in approximate or complete alignment with the structure by withdrawing the catch member along the guiding means while the catch member is in contact with the structure.

90. (New) A device according to claim 89, further comprising a second displaceable arm having guiding means, the second displaceable arm being adapted to be brought from a first to a second position when the device is to be aligned with the structure, the first and second displaceable arms being, in their second position, capable of bringing a catch element into contact with the structure via their guiding means, and bringing the device in

approximate or complete alignment with the structure by withdrawing the catch member along their guiding means while the catch member is in contact with the structure.

91. (New) A device according to claim 90, wherein the first and second arms are pivotably mounted on a first and a second support element, respectively.

92. (New) A device according to claim 91, wherein the first and second support elements are pivotably mounted on an endless frame structure.

93. (New) A device according to claim 78, further comprising rotatably mounted docking means arranged in the opening defined by an endless frame structure, the rotatably mounted docking means being adapted to fixate the structure in relation to the device when the structure has been brought into the opening defined by said endless frame structure.

94. (New) A device according to claim 93, wherein a total of at least five rotatably mounted docking means are arranged in the opening defined by the endless frame structure.

95. (New) A device according to claim 78, further comprising a docking arrangement adapted to fixate the structure in relation to the device when the structure has been brought into the opening defined by an endless frame structure, the docking arrangement comprising a pair of flexible belts, each belt being arranged between a rigid end point and a belt tightener, the belt tighteners and the end points being arranged on said endless frame structure, the belt tighteners being adapted to tighten the belts by bringing them from a relaxed state to a tightened state in order to fixate the structure in relation to the device.

96. (New) A device for enabling access to a structure above ground level by lowering and/or lifting the device in relation to the structure, the device comprising an endless path for individuals, the endless path defining an opening, the device further

comprising an arrangement for aligning the structure with the opening defined by the endless path.

97. (New) A device according to claim 96, wherein the alignment arrangement comprises a first displaceable arm having guiding means, the first displaceable arm being adapted to be brought from a first to a second position when the device is to be aligned with the structure, the first displaceable arm being, in its second position, capable of bringing a catch element into contact with the structure via its guiding means, and bringing the device in approximate or complete alignment with the structure by withdrawing the catch member along the guiding means while the catch member is in contact with the structure.

98. (New) A device according to claim 97, further comprising a second displaceable arm having guiding means, the second displaceable arm being adapted to be brought from a first to a second position when the device is to be aligned with the structure, the first and second displaceable arms being, in their second position, capable of bringing a catch element into contact with the structure via their guiding means, and bringing the device in approximate or complete alignment with the structure by withdrawing the catch member along their guiding means while the catch member is in contact with the structure.

99. (New) A device according to claim 96, further comprising rotatably mounted docking means arranged in the opening defined by the endless path, the rotatably mounted docking means being adapted to fixate the structure in relation to the device when the structure has been brought into the opening defined by the endless path.

100. (New) A device according to claim 99, wherein a total of at least five rotatably mounted docking means are arranged in the opening defined by the endless path.